The President declared an emergency in Arkansas and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the areas struck by a severe winter ice storm on December 12 and continuing.

The President declared an emergency in Oklahoma and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the areas struck by a severe winter ice storm on December 25 and continuing.

December 29

The President announced the recess appointment of Timothy Earl Jones as a member of the United States Parole Commission.

The President announced the recess appointment of Marilyn Mason as a member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science.

The President announced the recess appointment of Geoff Bacino as a member of the National Credit Union Administration.

The President announced the recess appointments of Nina Archabal, Betty Bengtson, Ron Chew, Bill Duke, Donald Fixico, Henry Glassie, Mary Hubbard, Naomi Shihab Nye, Vicki Ruiz, and Isabel Stewart as members of the National Council on the Humanities.

The President announced the recess appointment of James F. Dobbins as Assistant Secretary of European Affairs at the Department of State.

The President announced the recess appointment of Paulette H. Holahan as a member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science.

The President announced the recess appointment of Donald L. Robinson as a member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science.

The President announced the recess appointment of Peter F. Romero as Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere Affairs.

The President the recess appointment of Islam (Isi) A. Siddiqui as Under Secretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs at the Department of Agriculture.

The President the recess appointment of Dennis P. Walsh as a member of the National Labor Relations Board. The President declared a major disaster in North Dakota and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe winter storms and tornadoes on November 1–20.

The President declared a major disaster in Arkansas and ordered Federal aid to supplement state and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe winter ice storm beginning on December 12 and continuing.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: The Congress having adjourned *sine die* on Friday, December 15, 2000, no nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released December 23

Transcript of a telephone press briefing by Housing and Urban Development Secretary Andrew Cuomo on home loans and public housing *

Transcript of a press briefing by Assistant Press Secretary for Foreign Affairs P.J. Crowley on the President's morning meeting with participants in the Middle East peace process

Released December 28

Statement by the Press Secretary on Haitian elections

[°] This item was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary on December 22 but was embargoed for release until 10:06 a.m., December 23.